

Abstract

Recovering data provided in chunks to a plurality of secondary storage devices includes, for each of the secondary storage devices, discarding data corresponding chunks for which all data thereof has not been received, and, for each of the secondary storage
5 devices, restoring a chunk of data thereto where all of the chunks of data restored to the plurality of secondary storage devices correspond to a particular transmission cycle of primary storage devices that provide data to the plurality of secondary storage devices. Recovering data may also include, following discarding and prior to restoring, for each of the plurality of secondary storage devices having two different chunks, waiting for
10 external intervention to indicate whether to restore a particular one of the chunks. The external intervention may be provided by a host computer that is proximate to at least one of the secondary storage devices or may be provided by a host computer that is proximate to at least one of the primary storage computers.